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LONDON.—"I am convinced that this is the only way to terminate one of the most stupid and unnatural chapters in the history of European civilization," declared First Lord of the Admiralty Churchill in the House of Commons today after suggesting that the nations of the world stop building warships for a year. "In this way," he continued, "the people of the world would obtain an almost instantaneous mitigation of the thralldom in which they have been involved by the evil and insensate folly of the present acute rivalry in armaments. Scores of millions are being squandered year after year without making any difference in the relative naval strength of the nations. My proposal would involve no alteration in the relative strength of the world's navies.

"We address this proposal to all nations and to no nation with more profound sincerity than to our great neighbor of the North Sea." Mr. Churchill closed with a graceful recognition of the sensible improvement that had taken place in Anglo-German relations. Afterward in a speech Mr. Churchill proposed, specifically, that Germany and Great Britain agree to cancel their programs of construction for 1914, remarking that "The influence of such an agreement would be priceless and measureless in giving international scope to an arrangement for preventing wasteful, purposeless and futile folly."

MORE WORK THAN EVER IN KANTISHNA

FAIRBANKS, April 12.—Considerable more work than ever will be done in the Kantishna district this year than was done last year, according to the statement of Robert Benner, a Wantishna prospector who came in yesterday from the remote section. Benner and William Sheedy have been working on quartz properties at the head of Glen gulch in which Dr. J. A. Sutherland and associates of Fairbanks are interested. Benner and Sheedy went in from Fairbanks early during the winter and have been tunneling on promising looking quartz ledges on Glen gulch since that time. They have driven one tunnel in a distance of 80 feet. There will be more work than last season, for all the old-timers are planning to go ahead with their prospecting, both in placer and quartz.

NEW COMMISSIONER FOR CIRCLE CITY

United States District Judge Frederic E. Fuller, of the Fourth Division has appointed Frank A. Reynolds, of Corcle City, to be United States commissioner for his district. He succeeds John A. Cameron, who was appointed less than a year ago to succeed Abe Spring.

SEWARD PAPER SAYS LANE FOR PRESIDENT

We like the ring of that message from Secretary Lane to President Ray of the senate. It means that Alaskans who live in Alaska through choice will be named to fill federal positions in Alaska. It means more than this—it means that Alaska in all things, is to be given a square deal by the Wilson administration. It means that our coal fields are to be opened to development; that the government will build railway systems. We like that man Lane. He's a big fellow mentally and physically. He'll sit in the president's chair before he quits public life.—Seward Gateway.

OLD-TIMERS ON SKAGWAY COUNCIL

Four members of the Skagway city council have been residents of the city for sixteen or more years, yet we are often told by Eastern statesmen that the population of Alaska is such a roving one that they are not entitled to a full measure of self-government.—Skagway Alaskan.

N. Y. LEGISLATURE PASSES SULZER BILL

ALBANY, April 12.—The assembly passed the Levy bill, which would compel the incorporation of stock exchanges. Five other stock exchange measures, recommended by Gov. Sulzer, also were passed practically without opposition. Those measures propose amendments to the penal law relative to transactions by brokers after insolvency and the hytheation of customers' securities; to trading by brokers against customers' orders; prohibiting discrimination by exchanges of their members; relative to bucket shops, and in relation to the manipulation of prices of securities and conspiring movements to deceive the public.

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DYNAMITE INJURES NATIVE FISHERMEN

VALDEZ, April 6.—The Donaldson returned to Valdez last night after going to Golden, where they picked up the five natives who were hurt last Tuesday when a number of caps exploded in a small boat when they were fishing with powder for herring. The natives are all boys, the oldest not over 24 years and the youngest about ten. The boy is not injured very seriously, while the oldest, who had the cap in his hand when it exploded, lost four fingers and has his thumb hanging by a thread. Two of them will lose an eye apiece, and one has been injured in the abdomen.

The accident happened just across the bay from Golden, when the five were out fishing. Having found a box of caps they determined to catch a mess of fish quickly. While watching the fish they forgot that the fuse was nearly burned out, and it went off in the hand of one of the natives. The news was brought to Ellamar by a native in a bidarki. The boys were placed in the hospital by Col. O'Neil and they are now under the care of Dr. von Schrader, who, with Lieut. Kunzig, and four hospital stewards left as soon as the accident was reported by Supt. Middlecamp by wireless from the Yukon and thence by cable to Valdez. The natives had no care from the time of the accident until the arrival of the Donaldson yesterday morning, but are now resting easy and will be brought to Valdez today and placed in the local hospital.

CHURCH NOTES.

Methodist Episcopal.
 R. C. Blackwell, Pastor.
 Services, morning and evening at 11 and 8 o'clock. Sunday school at 12 m. Meeting for Young People at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Choir practice following the prayer meeting. Meeting of the Women's Social Union at the home of Mrs. Oak Olson, Friday at 2 p. m.

Presbyterian Church
 John B. Stevens, Pastor.
 Morning service at 11 a. m. Subject: "A Human Bible For a Human Race."
 Evening service at 8 p. m. Subject: "The Sin of Not Doing Good." Special music by male quartette. Sunday school meets at 12.

Trinity Episcopal.
 Sunday school at 12:30. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 p. m. The special topic for tomorrow evening will be: "Money For Men." Everyone is cordially invited. Special music by full vested choir. Ladies Guild meeting on Friday at 2:30 p. m. Choir practice, Friday at 8 p. m.

Christian Science
 Christian Science service is held in the Christian Science Hall Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject "Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?" The public is welcome. Sunday school is held at 13:30. Information and literature of Christian Science can be had at the reading room on Wednesdays from two to five.

Personal Mention

J. M. Ruffner head of the North Columbia Gold Mining Company, of Atlin which is operating on what is known as the Ruffner placer mines passed through on the Princess Sophia last night. A. D. Hughes manager of a big mining concern in the Atlin country was a through passenger on the Princess Sophia last night.

ELECTION OF LEWIS PLEASES NEW YORK

The election of James Hamilton Lewis and Lawrence Y. Sherman as United States senators from Illinois ends creditably a deadlock which in the circumstances might have produced another Lorimer scandal. Lewis is a Democrat and Sherman is a Republican. They were necessarily chosen by a fusion of Democrats and Republicans, for neither party had a majority in the legislature. Both had some sort of claim to election as in the soap-box primaries of their respective parties they were the choice of the people.

Legislative conditions in Illinois which made the Lorimer purchase possible have on several occasions resulted in honorable compromises of this kind. Lyman Trumbull, David Davis and John M. Palmer came to the United States Senate by negotiation and coalition. With this contest out of the way and direct elections of United States senators soon to be provided for, the end of one great source of corruption seems finally to have been reached.

The Senate of the Sixty-third Congress, now complete, stands politically: Democrats, 51; Republicans, 45.—New York World.
 Every thing that will please a smoker may be found at BURFORD'S.

PROGRESSIVES WILL SUPPORT PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Definite announcement of the plan of certain Progressive Republicans in the House to support President Wilson's administration in the accomplishment of "progressive policies" was made today. Representative Kent, of California, Lenroot, of Wisconsin, Anderson, of Minnesota and Hegleson of North Dakota, announced that they would support measures proposed by the Wilson administration so long as they considered them progressive.

Representative Kent, of California, supported James R. Mann, for speaker, but did so pro forma to protect his party standing. He said that he will support the administration measures. "I can see no good to be accomplished at this time by a third-party-line-up in the House" said Representative Kent. "President Wilson has brought assurances of his intent to realize, so far as may be, those progressive ideals which are held by all open-minded and forward-looking men. To my mind, our best services can be rendered by aiding him and those with him toward securing the legislation which we desire and for which we have worked in the past."

"I regard it as very unfortunate that there should be any division among Progressives in the House at this time," said Representative Lenroot in a statement concurred in by Representative Anderson. "It may be good personal politics for third party progressives and for some men who were elected as Republican Progressives and to take such a position at this time, but there is no statesmanship about it. As far as can now be foreseen, progressives of all political parties will be called upon to assist and co-operate with President Wilson in his progressive policies, and new complications relating only to party politics can only injure the progressive cause."

NEW STRIKE ON FAIRBANKS CREEK

FAIRBANKS CREEK, March 20.—When Gust Lundstrom and Carl Larson reported yesterday that they had bedrocked two holes on 3 below, creek claim, had found good pay in both holes, the output dopesters of the creek immediately began to figure an additional \$100,000 to 1913's total. The discovery of the men is looked upon as one of the most favorable made on the creeks in the last few years, as it means the opening up of a comparatively unprospected stretch of ground on the upper end of 3 below.

The two holes both have a depth of 30 feet and were sunk a distance of 150 feet apart. As the pay was found in both holes, the indications are that the pay is at least that wide. The pay gravel is four feet in height and some gold has been found in bedrock. Pans averaging 11 cents to the pan in both sides making an average value of the dirt \$3 to the square foot of bedrock.

The ground is worked by the two men on a short-term lease from the owners, Matt Larson and Pat Meehan. The discovery was made immediately opposite the mouth of Walnut gulch, a tributary to Fairbanks creek from the left limit.

NEW NEWSPAPER FOR CORDOVA

Cordova is to have a new newspaper. It will be called the Alaska Times and will appear every Sunday morning, according to the Valdez Prospector. The Alaska Times Publishing Company, of Cordova, has been organized to own and manage the newspaper property. A. J. Adams is president; C. G. Sheffler, treasurer and James Flynn, secretary of the company. The paper will contain eight six column pages and will appear May 1.

The new publishing company has purchased the plant of the Miner Publishing Company, of Valdez, a plant that R. J. McChesney took to Cordova, and used first in the publication of the Cordova North Star, and afterward removed to Valdez and used in the Cordova Daily Miner.

Forced Out of Business

owner of building. Had no lease, no available house to move into. Watches clocks, jewelry, silverware, cut glass, hand-painted china, white and gold band china must be sold at any sacrifice. I. J. SHARICK, Optician

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